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1. LUIS CARLOS ABRUE, LAWYER AT FIRM REPRESENTING FLAVIO TAVARES
CALLED AT CONGEN TO REQUEST THAT USG INTERCEDE WITH GOU FOR
RELEASE OF TAVARES. ABREU REQUESTED THAT USG AT LEAST SHOW INTEREST
IN CASE WITH URUGUYAN AUTHORITIES IN ORDER TO ASSURE THAT
TAVARES IS RECEIVING ADEQUATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE.

2. ABREU SAID THAT THREE LAWYERS FROM HIS FIRM WOULD SEEK
VISIT WITH AMBASSADOR PEZZULLO AUGUST 16, OR MAY HAVE
ALREADY APPEARED ON AUGUST 15. THEY ARE GESON MENDONCA NETTO,
JOSE ANTONIO IVO GALLI (TAVARES BROTHER IN LAW AND THE SON
OF A PROMINENT RETIRED SAO PAULO JUDGE) AND JOSE FRANCISCO
MATINS. ABREU SAID THAT HIS FIRM DOES NOT NORMALLY TAKE ON
HUMAN RIGHTS CASES, BUT BECAME INVOLVED IN THIS ONE BECAUSE
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OF TAVARES' RELATIONSHIP TO GALLI.

3. ABREU EXPLAINED THAT HE REALIZED THE AWKWARDNESS OF HIS
REQUEST BUT THAT THE FIRM HAD TRIED EVERY AVENUE OF APPROACH
TO BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT IN BRASILIA AND MINTEVIDEO WITHOUT
SUCCESS. IN BRASILIA, THERE WERE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
BUT NO CONCRETE ACTION. IN MONTIVIDEO ABREU SAID THAT

BRAZILIAN EMBASSY THERE WOULD TAKE NO OFFICIAL NOTICE
OF TAVARES SINCE HE HAS BEEN EXPELLED FROM BRAZIL.
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